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and none from effects of moisture. 2. When properly proportioned
and used, steel has greater strength and rigidity for area and
weight of section than commonly used material, therefore it may
be produced and fabricated at a comparatively low cost. 3. Steel
is nonporous, therefore, wind and moisture-proof no matter how
thin. 4. Steel can be manufactured in large sections, thereby
reducing joint lengths through which water and air may filter.
5. Under modern conditions of manufacture steel is practically
uniform in strength, therefore requires only small factor of
safety in design. 6. Steel lends itself to machine forming with
low applied labor costs, therefore is economical where parts are
fabricated and assembled in quantity. 7. When kept dry, either by
location or by coating with moisture-proof material, steel will
last almost indefinitely. 8. In factory operation there is only
small loss of steel because of wide variety of sizes, shapes and
thicknesses from which to choose desired items. 9. Steel is non-
combustible; it is vermin and insect proof and presents surface
easily kept clean and sanitary. 10. Weight per square foot of
wall or roof area fabricated from steel material is lighter than
that from other material. Following factors that militate against
use of steel: 1. It is better conductor of heat than certain other
building materials, therefore, it requires somewhat more insulation
under certain conditions. 2. It does not lend itself to hand-
forming or shaping in field, except when used in form of thin
sheets; therefore, it is not adaptable to general field use,
except in precut or prefabricated units. 3. For light loads
and long spans, if metal is so distributed as to prevent excessive
deflection when extreme fibres are stressed to safe working limits,
webs and flanges of joists, rafters, and other sections used as
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Chemistry, Technical.

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Chemistry, Technical. (Cont'd).

material for production of cellulose from which paper and synthetic fibers can be produced. There is as yet, however, no information as to probable cost of production, though it is pointed out that, compared with wood, lignite is very low in price. Although production costs of artificial fibers in Germany have been reduced in recent years, they are still high compared with prices of cotton and other natural fibers. Moreover, additional unfavorable factor has been fact that amount of timber cut for cellulose manufacture has exceeded new growth.

"Farm chemurgy" aux États-Unis. By S. Jamin. Revue de chimie industrielle. v.47,no.563. November, 1938. p.335-339.
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are offered, in some detail, in this paper. Presentation is made
for two reasons: (1) That engineers interested in beach protection
may have the advantage of experience gained by Beach Erosion Board,
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Evaporation. (Cont'd).

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one may seriously question whether it should ever be applied in
determining proper spillway capacity for dam. Certainly "rational"
method, which has been developed in recent years, takes into account
more of important factors affecting flood flows than does any varia-
tion of so-called "probability" method. In its use, however, ques-
tion arises of what storm, or maximum probable rainfall, should be
"transposed" to drainage area in question. Accompanying article
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of fruits at different stages of ripening, these experiments suffice
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